

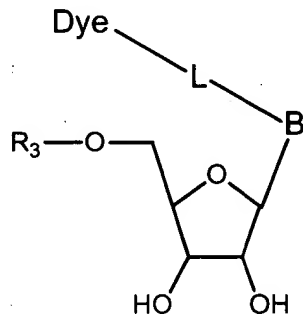
IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims to read as follows.

Claims 1-100. (canceled)

101. (currently amended) A method for determining a polynucleotide sequence, comprising

- (i) annealing at least one primer to a template polynucleotide;
- (ii) extending said at least one primer in the presence of a mixture of at least four unlabeled dNTPs and at least one dye-labeled ribonucleotide having the formula:



wherein B is a nucleobase; L is a linker; R₃ is triphosphate, α -thiotriphosphate, or a salt thereof, and Dye is a reporter group;
so that primer extension products that contain at least one dye-labeled ribonucleotide are formed;

- (iii) cleaving one or more primer extension products to form a plurality of labeled fragments;
- (iv) separating the extension products by size; and
- (v) detecting the fragments to determine the polynucleotide sequence.

102. (original) The method according to claim 101, wherein the dye-labeled ribonucleotides are rATP-PA-6R6G, rCTP-PA-Rox, rUTP-PA-Tamra and rGTP-EO-R110.

103. (original) The method according to claim 101, wherein one primer is biotinylated.

104. (original) The method according to claim 101, wherein at least one primer is a hybridization based pull-out primer.

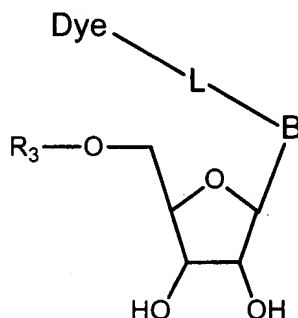
105. (original) The method according to claim 101, wherein the DNA polymerase is a thermostable DNA polymerase.

106. (original) The method according to claim 105, wherein the thermostable DNA polymerase is a modified thermostable DNA polymerase having increased efficiency for the incorporation of ribonucleotides.

107. (previously presented) The method according to claim 101, wherein said one or more primer extension products are cleaved at each occurrence of a ribonucleotide by alkali treatment, heat treatment, or a ribonuclease.

108. (currently amended) A method for detecting mutations in a polynucleotide, comprising

- annealing two primers to a template polynucleotide;
- extending the two primers in the presence of a mixture of at least four unlabeled dNTPs and at least one dye-labeled ribonucleotide having the formula:



- wherein B is a nucleobase; L is a linker; R₃ is triphosphate, α -thiotriphosphate, or a salt thereof, and Dye is a reporter group;
- so that primer extension products that contain at least one dye-labeled ribonucleotide are formed;
- cleaving one or more primer extension products to form a plurality of labeled fragments;
 - separating the fragments by size; and
 - detecting the fragments to detect the mutations.

109. (previously presented) The method according to claim 108, wherein the fragments that contain primers are separated from other fragments before the fragments that contain primers are separated by size.

110. (original) The method according to claim 108, wherein the mutation is a single nucleotide polymorphism.

111. (previously presented) The method according to claim 108, wherein the polynucleotide is genomic DNA.

112. (original) The method according to claim 108, wherein at least one primer is biotinylated.

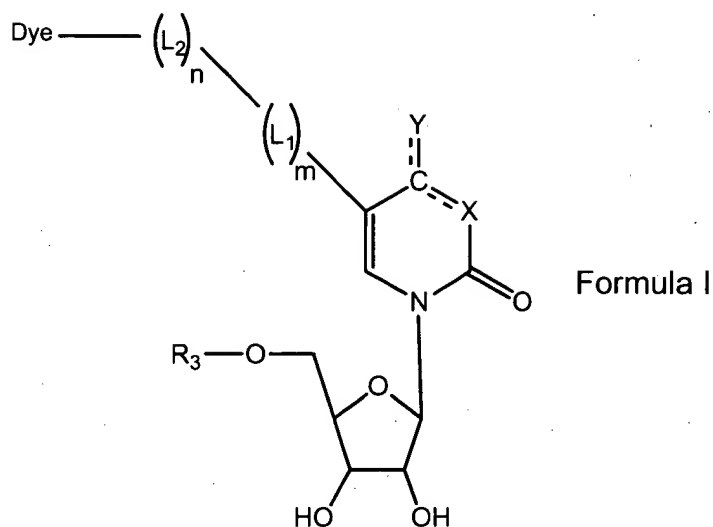
113. (original) The method according to claim 108, wherein at least one primer is a hybridization based primer.

114. (original) The method according to claim 108, wherein one primer comprises a modified base preventing primer extension in the 5' direction.

Claims 115-123 (cancelled)

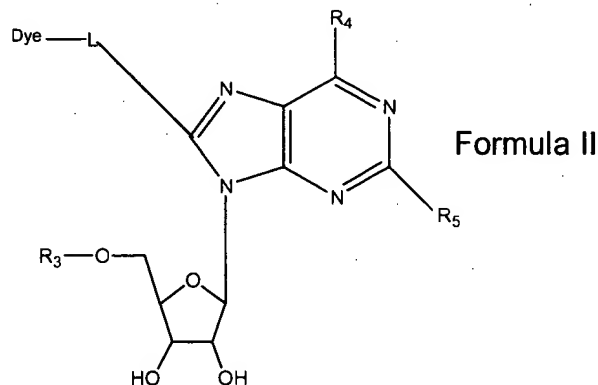
124. (currently amended) The method according to claim 101, wherein said at least one dye-labeled ribonucleotide is:

(1) a compound of formula I:



- wherein X is N, NH, or C;
- wherein Y is O or NH₂;
- wherein R₃ is either triphosphate, α-thiotriphosphate, or a salt thereof;
- wherein L₁ is a linker;
- wherein L₂ is a benzylamine linker or a phosphate linker;
- wherein n = 0-4, m = 0-4, and m + n is at least 1; and [[:]]
- wherein the dye is any reporter group;

(2) a compound of formula II:



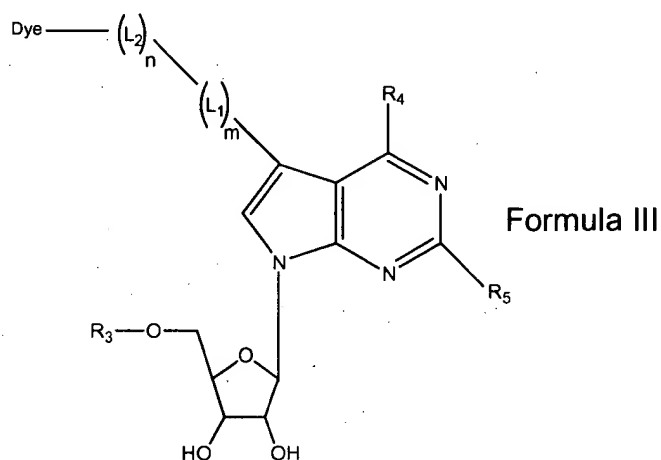
- wherein L is a linker;
- wherein R₄ is either NH₂, OH, or O, and B is either NH₂, OH, or H;

- wherein R_3 is either triphosphate, α -thiotriphosphate, or a salt thereof;

and

- wherein the dye is any reporter group;

(3) a compound of formula III:



- wherein L_1 is a linker;

- wherein L_2 is a benzylamine linker or a phosphate linker;

- wherein $n = 0-4$, $m = 0-4$, and $m + n$ is at least 1;

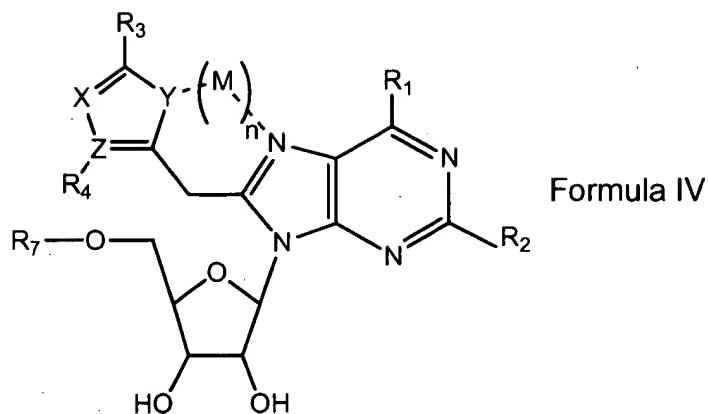
- wherein R_4 is either NH_2 , OH , or O , and R_5 is either NH_2 , OH , or H ;

- wherein R_3 is either triphosphate, α -thiotriphosphate, or a salt thereof;

and

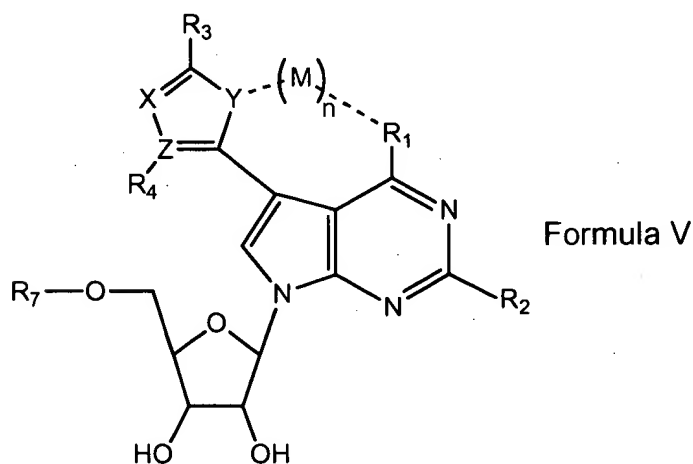
- wherein the dye is any reporter group;

(4) a compound of formula IV:



- wherein R_1 , R_2 , and R_4 are independently H, O, OR, S, SR, NR_2 or CR_2 ;
- wherein R_3 is SR, NR_2 , OR, or CR_2 and comprises a reporter group;
- wherein R is hydrogen, alkyl, aryl, or an amino acid;
- wherein R_7 is either triphosphate, α -thiotriphosphate, or a salt thereof;
- wherein X, Y, and Z are independently carbon, nitrogen, oxygen, sulfur, phosphorus, or selenium;
- wherein n is 0 or 1; and
- wherein M is H_2O or any metal;

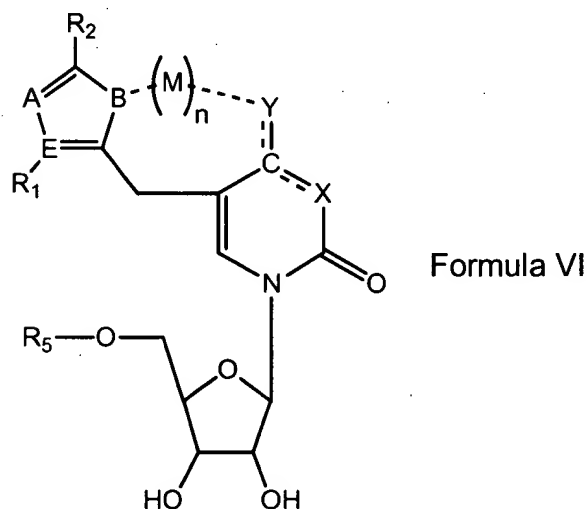
(5) a compound of formula V:



- wherein R_1 , R_2 , and R_4 are independently H, O, OR, S, SR, NR_2 or CR_2 ;
- wherein R_3 is SR, NR_2 , OR, or CR_2 and comprises a reporter group;

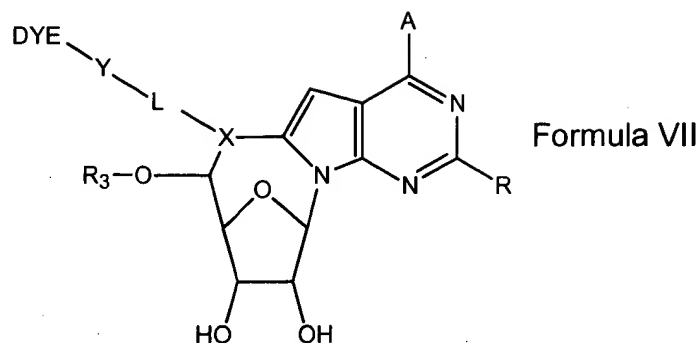
- wherein R is hydrogen, alkyl, aryl, or an amino acid;
- wherein R₇ is either triphosphate, α-thiotriphosphate, or a salt thereof;
- wherein X, Y, and Z are independently carbon, nitrogen, oxygen, sulfur, phosphorus, or selenium;
- wherein n is 0 or 1; and
- wherein M is H₂O or any metal;

(6) a compound of formula VI:



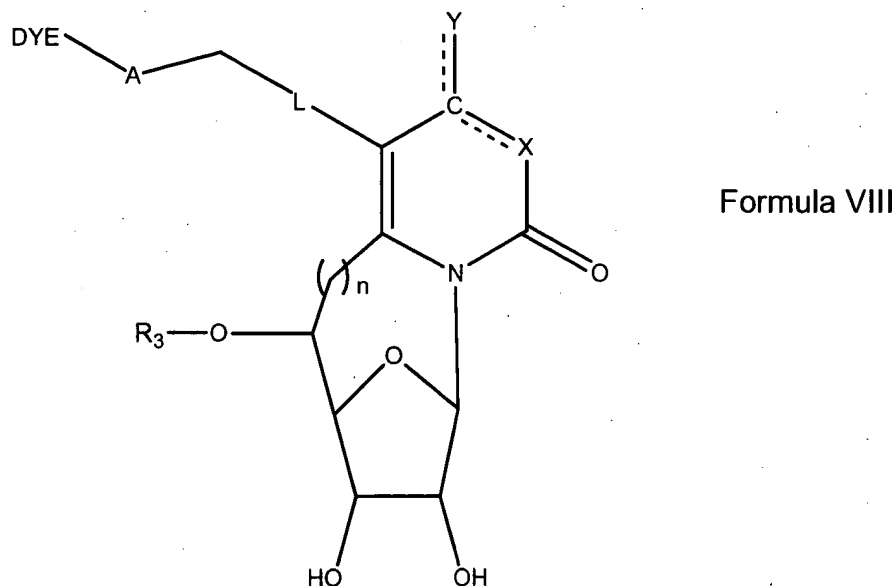
- wherein R₁ is H, O, OR, S, SR, NR₂, or CR₂,
- wherein R₂ is SR, NR₂, OR, or CR₂ and comprises a reporter group;
- wherein R is hydrogen, alkyl, alkynyl, aryl, or an amino acid;
- wherein R₅ is either triphosphate, α-thiotriphosphate, or a salt thereof;
- wherein X is N, NH, or C;
- wherein Y is O or NH₂;
- wherein A, B, and E are independently C, N, O, S, P, or Se;
- wherein n is 0 or 1; and
- wherein M is H₂O or any metal;

(7) a compound of formula VII:



- wherein A is NH_2 , OH, or O;
- wherein R is H, O, NR'_2 , S, CR'_2 , or halide;
- wherein R' is hydrogen or alkyl;
- wherein R_3 is either triphosphate, α -thiotriphosphate, or a salt thereof;
- wherein L is alkyl;
- wherein X is CR or N and Y is O, S, or NH; and
- wherein the dye is any reporter group;

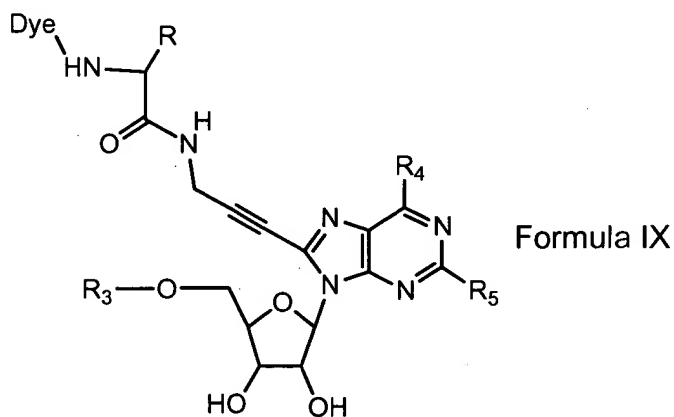
(8) a compound of formula VIII:



- wherein X is N, NH, or C;

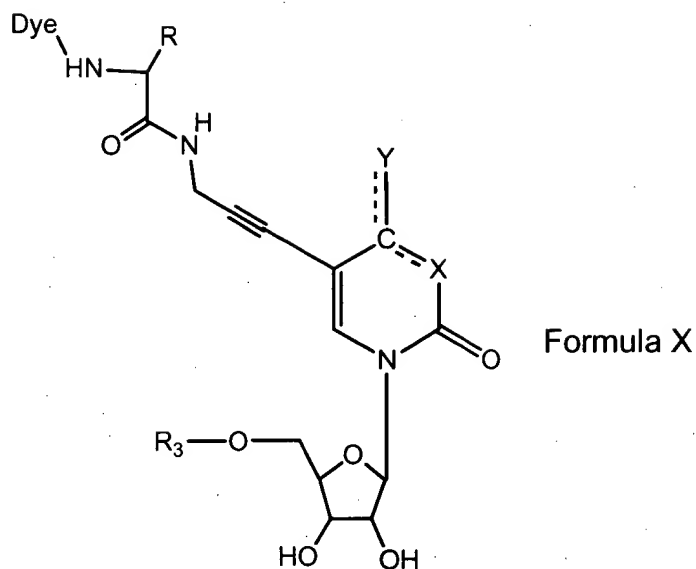
- wherein Y is O or NH₂;
- wherein R₃ is either triphosphate, α-thiotriphosphate, or a salt thereof;
- wherein A is O, S, or NH;
- wherein L is alkyl or aryl substituted at from 0 to 3 positions in a chemically reasonable manner with F, Cl, Br, I, C1-C18 alkyl, Silyl, OH, OR', SH, SR', SOR', SO₂R', SO₃, or NR'₂;
- wherein R' is hydrogen or alkyl;
- wherein n is 1 to 10; and
- wherein the dye is any reporter group;

(9) a compound of formula IX:



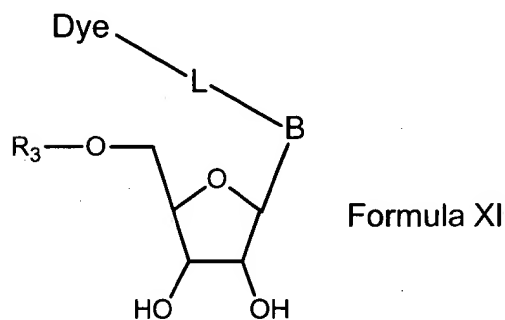
- wherein R₄ is NH₂, OH, or O and R₅ is NH₂, OH, or H, provided that if A is NH₂, B is H and if A is O, B is NH₂;
- wherein R₃ is either triphosphate, α-thiotriphosphate, or a salt thereof;
- wherein the dye is any reporter group; and
- wherein R is a side chain for mobility tuning;

(10) a compound of formula X:



- wherein X is N, NH, or C;
- wherein Y is O or NH₂;
- wherein R₃ is either triphosphate, α-thiotriphosphate, or a salt thereof;
- wherein Dye is any reporter group, and
- wherein R is a side chain for mobility tuning; or

(11) a compound of formula XI:



- wherein B is a nucleobase selected from uracil, cytosine, adenine, 7-deazaadenine, guanine, and 7-deazaguanine;
- wherein R₃ is triphosphate or a salt thereof;

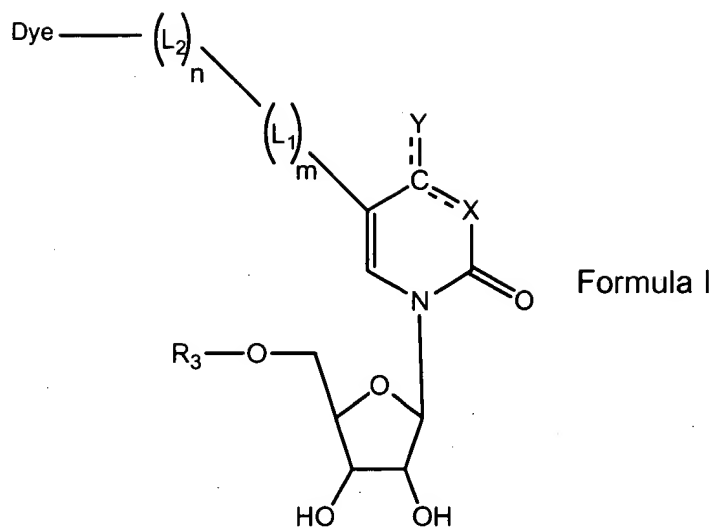
- wherein L is a linker selected from propargyl-ethyl-oxide-amino and propargylamino wherein the linker is attached to the 8-C of a adenine, 7-deazaadenine, guanine, or 7-deazaguanine nucleobase, the 7-C or 8-C of a 7-deazaadenine or 7-deazaguanine nucleobase, or the C-5 of a uracil or cytosine nucleobase; and
- wherein Dye is selected from a rhodamine dye and a fluorescein dye.

125. (previously presented) The method according to claim 101, wherein the reporter group is a rhodamine-type dye, a fluorescein-type dye, an energy transfer dye, or a cyanine-type dye.

126. (previously presented) The method according to claim 101, further comprising separating the fragments that contain at least one primer from other fragments.

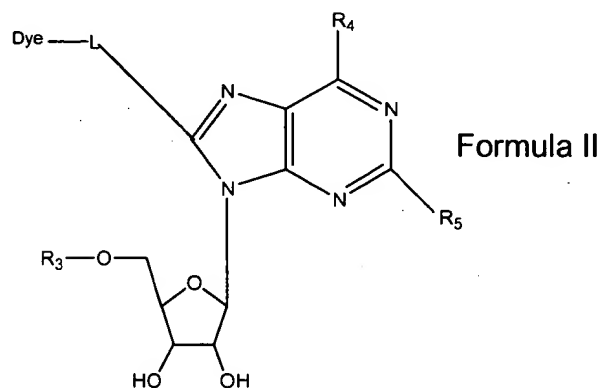
127. (currently amended) The method according to claim 108, wherein said at least one dye-labeled ribonucleotide is:

- (1) a compound of formula I:



- wherein X is N, NH, or C;
- wherein Y is O or NH₂;
- wherein R₃ is either triphosphate, α-thiotriphosphate, or a salt thereof;
- wherein L₁ is a linker;
- wherein L₂ is a benzylamine linker or a phosphate linker;
- wherein n = 0-4, m = 0-4, and m + n is at least 1; and [[:]]
- wherein the dye is any reporter group;

(2) a compound of formula II:



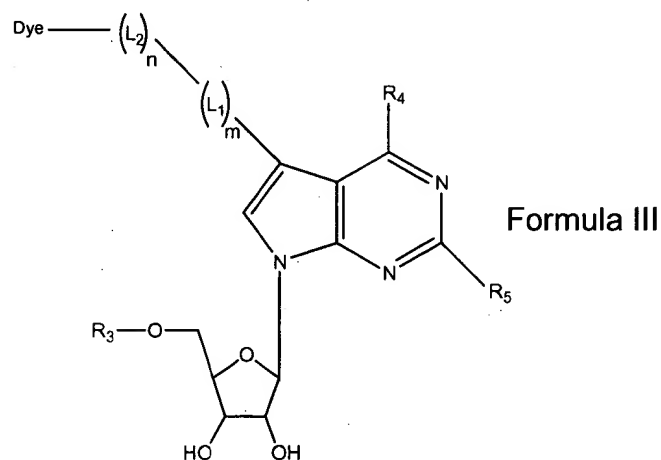
- wherein L is a linker;
- wherein R₄ is either NH₂, OH, or O, and B is either NH₂, OH, or H;

- wherein R_3 is either triphosphate, α -thiotriphosphate, or a salt thereof;

and

- wherein the dye is any reporter group;

(3) a compound of formula III:



- wherein L_1 is a linker;

- wherein L_2 is a benzylamine linker or a phosphate linker;

- wherein $n = 0-4$, $m = 0-4$, and $m + n$ is at least 1;

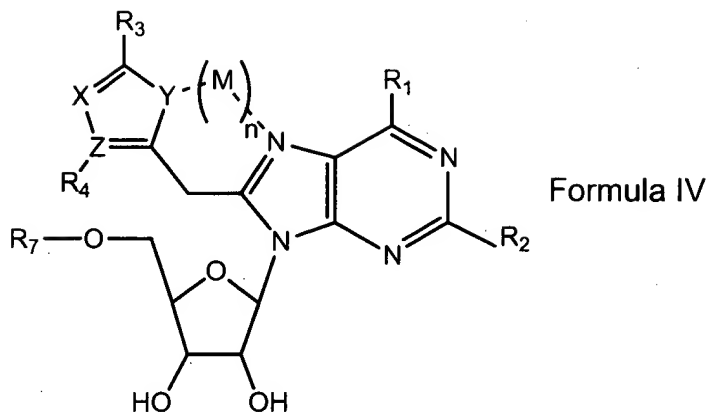
- wherein R_4 is either NH_2 , OH , or O , and R_5 is either NH_2 , OH , or H ;

- wherein R_3 is either triphosphate, α -thiotriphosphate, or a salt thereof;

and

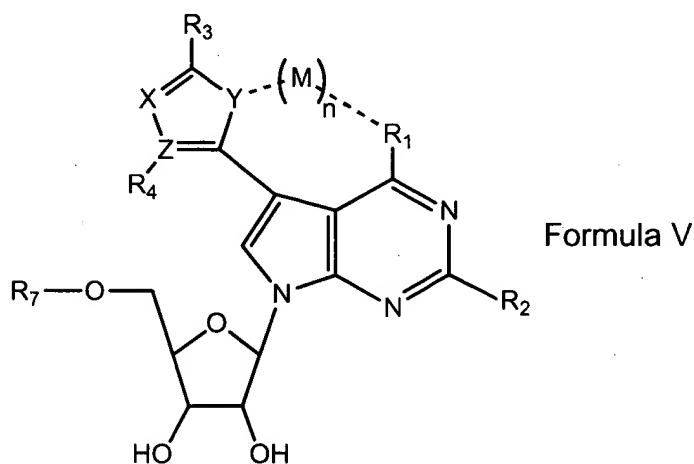
- wherein the dye is any reporter group;

(4) a compound of formula IV:



- wherein R_1 , R_2 , and R_4 are independently H, O, OR, S, SR, NR_2 or CR_2 ;
- wherein R_3 is SR, NR_2 , OR, or CR_2 and comprises a reporter group;
- wherein R is hydrogen, alkyl, aryl, or an amino acid;
- wherein R_7 is either triphosphate, α -thiotriphosphate, or a salt thereof;
- wherein X, Y, and Z are independently carbon, nitrogen, oxygen, sulfur, phosphorus, or selenium;
- wherein n is 0 or 1; and
- wherein M is H_2O or any metal;

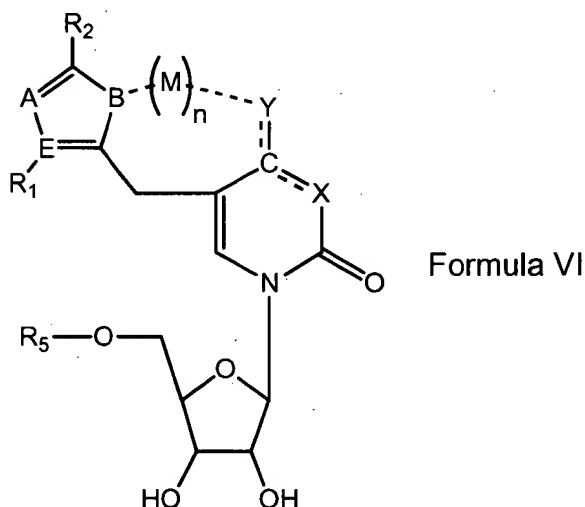
(5) a compound of formula V:



- wherein R_1 , R_2 , and R_4 are independently H, O, OR, S, SR, NR_2 or CR_2 ;
- wherein R_3 is SR, NR_2 , OR, or CR_2 and comprises a reporter group;

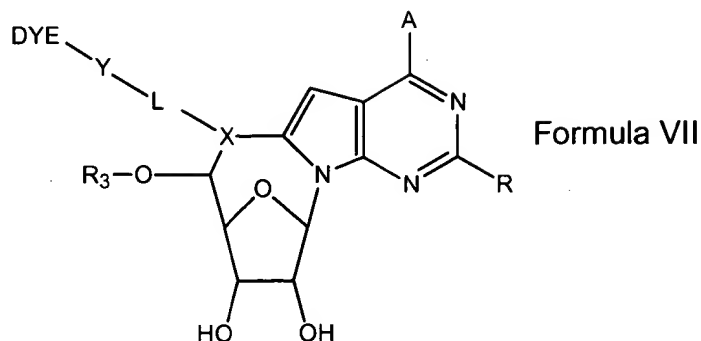
- wherein R is hydrogen, alkyl, aryl, or an amino acid;
- wherein R₇ is either triphosphate, α-thiotriphosphate, or a salt thereof;
- wherein X, Y, and Z are independently carbon, nitrogen, oxygen, sulfur, phosphorus, or selenium;
- wherein n is 0 or 1; and
- wherein M is H₂O or any metal;

(6) a compound of formula VI:



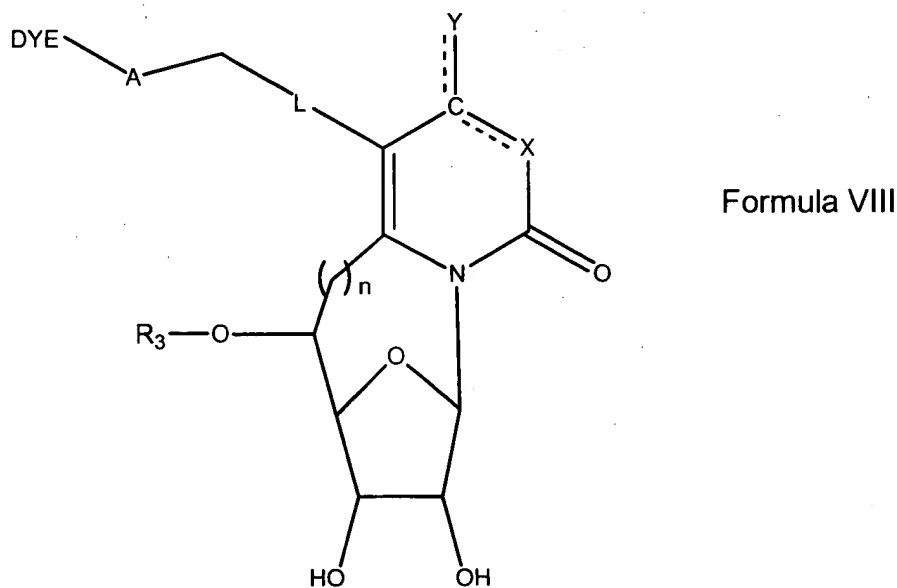
- wherein R₁ is H, O, OR, S, SR, NR₂, or CR₂,
- wherein R₂ is SR, NR₂, OR, or CR₂ and comprises a reporter group;
- wherein R is hydrogen, alkyl, alkynyl, aryl, or an amino acid;
- wherein R₅ is either triphosphate, α-thiotriphosphate, or a salt thereof;
- wherein X is N, NH, or C;
- wherein Y is O or NH₂;
- wherein A, B, and E are independently C, N, O, S, P, or Se;
- wherein n is 0 or 1; and
- wherein M is H₂O or any metal;

(7) a compound of formula VII:



- wherein A is NH_2 , OH, or O;
- wherein R is H, O, NR'_2 , S, CR'_2 , or halide;
- wherein R' is hydrogen or alkyl;
- wherein R_3 is either triphosphate, α -thiotriphosphate, or a salt thereof;
- wherein L is alkyl;
- wherein X is CR or N and Y is O, S, or NH; and
- wherein the dye is any reporter group;

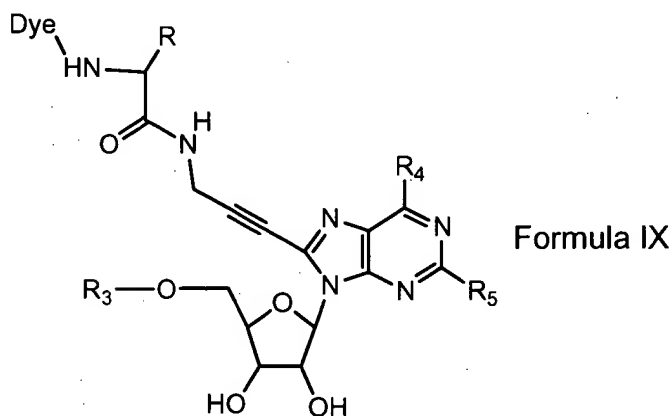
(8) a compound of formula VIII:



- wherein X is N, NH, or C;

- wherein Y is O or NH₂;
- wherein R₃ is either triphosphate, α-thiotriphosphate, or a salt thereof;
- wherein A is O, S, or NH;
- wherein L is alkyl or aryl substituted at from 0 to 3 positions in a chemically reasonable manner with F, Cl, Br, I, C1-C18 alkyl, Silyl, OH, OR', SH, SR', SOR', SO₂R', SO₃, or NR'₂;
- wherein R' is hydrogen or alkyl;
- wherein n is 1 to 10; and
- wherein the dye is any reporter group;

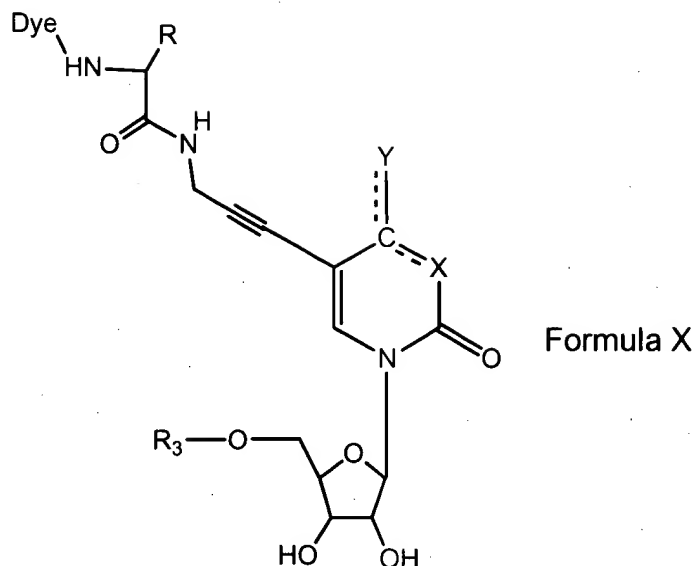
(9) a compound of formula IX:



Formula IX

- wherein R₄ is NH₂, OH, or O and R₅ is NH₂, OH, or H, provided that if A is NH₂, B is H and if A is O, B is NH₂;
- wherein R₃ is either triphosphate, α-thiotriphosphate, or a salt thereof;
- wherein the dye is any reporter group; and
- wherein R is a side chain for mobility tuning;

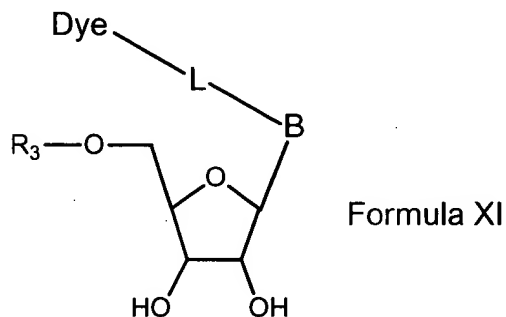
(10) a compound of formula X:



Formula X

- wherein X is N, NH, or C;
- wherein Y is O or NH₂;
- wherein R₃ is either triphosphate, α-thiotriphosphate, or a salt thereof;
- wherein Dye is any reporter group, and
- wherein R is a side chain for mobility tuning; or

(11) a compound of formula XI:



Formula XI

- wherein B is a nucleobase selected from uracil, cytosine, adenine, 7-deazaadenine, guanine, and 7-deazaguanine;
- wherein R₃ is triphosphate or a salt thereof;

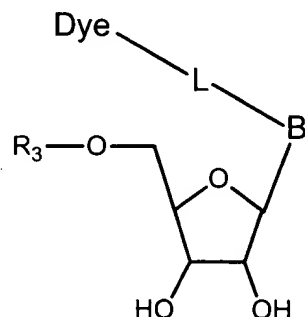
- wherein L is a linker selected from propargyl-ethyl-oxide-amino and propargylamino wherein the linker is attached to the 8-C of a adenine, 7-deazaadenine, guanine, or 7-deazaguanine nucleobase, the 7-C or 8-C of a 7-deazaadenine or 7-deazaguanine nucleobase, or the C-5 of a uracil or cytosine nucleobase; and
- wherein Dye is selected from a rhodamine dye and a fluorescein dye.

128. (previously presented) The method according to claim 108, wherein the reporter group is a rhodamine-type dye, a fluorescein-type dye, an energy transfer dye, or a cyanine-type dye.

129. (previously presented) The method according to claim 108, further comprising separating the fragments that contain at least one primer from other fragments.

130. (new) A method for determining a polynucleotide sequence, comprising

- (i) annealing at least one primer to a template polynucleotide;
- (ii) extending said at least one primer in the presence of a mixture of unlabeled dNTPs and at least one dye-labeled ribonucleotide having the formula:



wherein B is a nucleobase; L is a linker; R₃ is triphosphate, α -thiotriphosphate, or a salt thereof, and Dye is a reporter group;

wherein at least one of the unlabeled dNTPs comprises a nucleobase that is the same as the nucleobase of at least one of the at least one dye-labeled ribonucleotide;

so that primer extension products that contain at least one dye-labeled ribonucleotide are formed;

(iii) cleaving one or more primer extension products to form a plurality of labeled fragments;

(iv) separating the extension products by size; and

(v) detecting the fragments to determine the polynucleotide sequence.

131. (new) The method according to claim 130, wherein the dye-labeled ribonucleotides are rATP-PA-6R6G, rCTP-PA-Rox, rUTP-PA-Tamra and rGTP-EO-R110.

132. (new) The method according to claim 130, wherein one primer is biotinylated.

133. (new) The method according to claim 130, wherein at least one primer is a hybridization based pull-out primer.

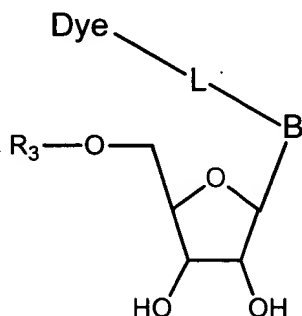
134. (new) The method according to claim 130, wherein the DNA polymerase is a thermostable DNA polymerase.

135. (new) The method according to claim 134, wherein the thermostable DNA polymerase is a modified thermostable DNA polymerase having increased efficiency for the incorporation of ribonucleotides.

136. (new) The method according to claim 130, wherein said one or more primer extension products are cleaved at each occurrence of a ribonucleotide by alkali treatment, heat treatment, or a ribonuclease.

137. (new) A method for detecting mutations in a polynucleotide, comprising

- annealing two primers to a template polynucleotide;
- extending the two primers in the presence of a mixture of unlabeled dNTPs and at least one dye-labeled ribonucleotide having the formula:



wherein B is a nucleobase; L is a linker; R₃ is triphosphate, α -thiotriphosphate, or a salt thereof, and Dye is a reporter group;
wherein at least one of the unlabeled dNTPs comprises a nucleobase that is the same as the nucleobase of at least one of the at least one dye-labeled ribonucleotide;

so that primer extension products that contain at least one dye-labeled ribonucleotide are formed;

- cleaving one or more primer extension products to form a plurality of labeled fragments;
- separating the fragments by size; and
- detecting the fragments to detect the mutations.

138. (new) The method according to claim 137, wherein the fragments that contain primers are separated from other fragments before the fragments that contain primers are separated by size.

139. (new) The method according to claim 137, wherein the mutation is a single nucleotide polymorphism.

140. (new) The method according to claim 137, wherein the polynucleotide is genomic DNA.

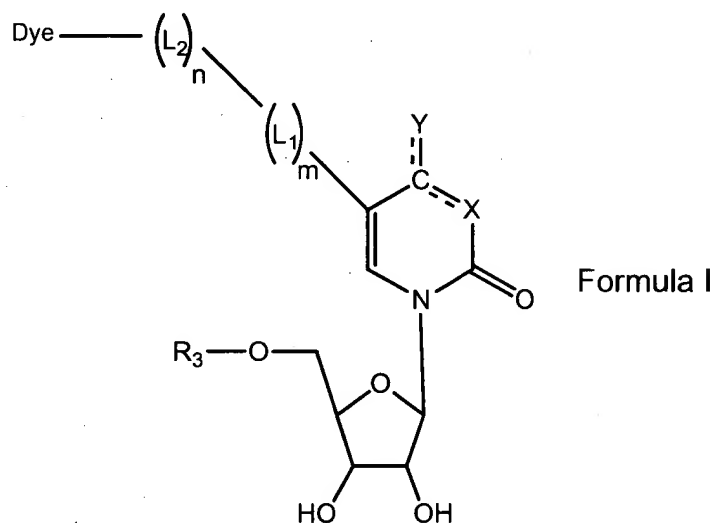
141. (new) The method according to claim 137, wherein at least one primer is biotinylated.

142. (new) The method according to claim 137, wherein at least one primer is a hybridization based primer.

143. (new) The method according to claim 137, wherein one primer comprises a modified base preventing primer extension in the 5' direction.

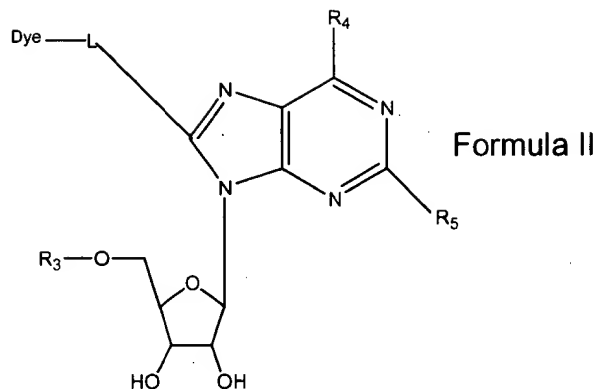
144. (new) The method according to claim 130, wherein said at least one dye-labeled ribonucleotide is:

(1) a compound of formula I:



- wherein X is N, NH, or C;
- wherein Y is O or NH₂;
- wherein R₃ is either triphosphate, α -thiotriphosphate, or a salt thereof;
- wherein L₁ is a linker;
- wherein L₂ is a benzylamine linker or a phosphate linker;
- wherein n = 0-4, m = 0-4, and m + n is at least 1; and
- wherein the dye is any reporter group;

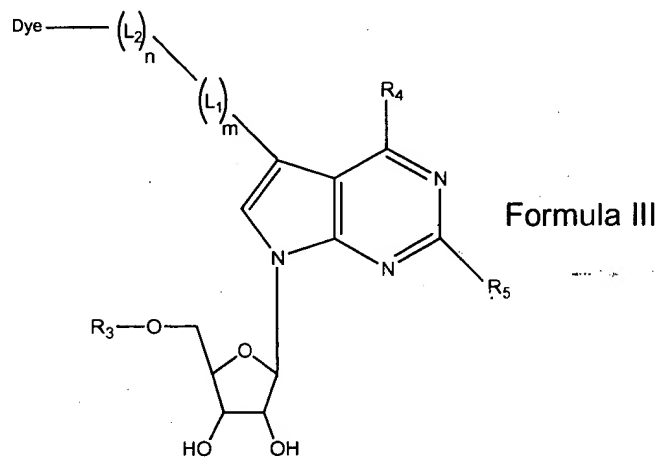
(2) a compound of formula II:



Formula II

- wherein L is a linker;
 - wherein R_4 is either NH_2 , OH , or O , and R_5 is either NH_2 , OH , or H ;
 - wherein R_3 is either triphosphate, α -thiotriphosphate, or a salt thereof;
- and
- wherein the dye is any reporter group;

(3) a compound of formula III:



Formula III

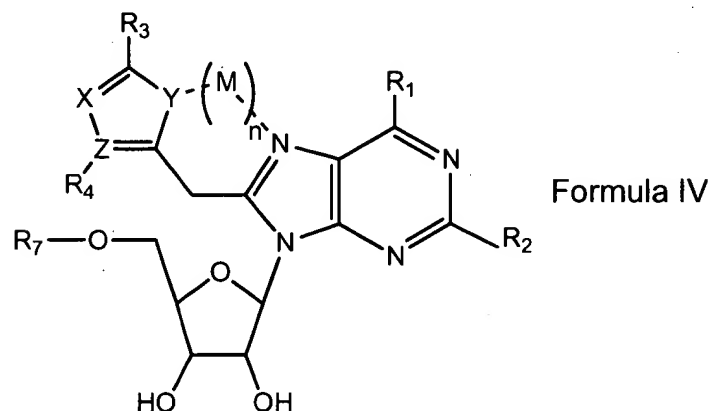
- wherein L_1 is a linker;
- wherein L_2 is a benzylamine linker or a phosphate linker;
- wherein $n = 0-4$, $m = 0-4$, and $m + n$ is at least 1;
- wherein R_4 is either NH_2 , OH , or O , and R_5 is either NH_2 , OH , or H ;

- wherein R_3 is either triphosphate, α -thiotriphosphate, or a salt thereof;

and

- wherein the dye is any reporter group;

(4) a compound of formula IV:



- wherein R_1 , R_2 , and R_4 are independently H, O, OR, S, SR, NR_2 or CR_2 ;

- wherein R_3 is SR, NR_2 , OR, or CR_2 and comprises a reporter group;

- wherein R is hydrogen, alkyl, aryl, or an amino acid;

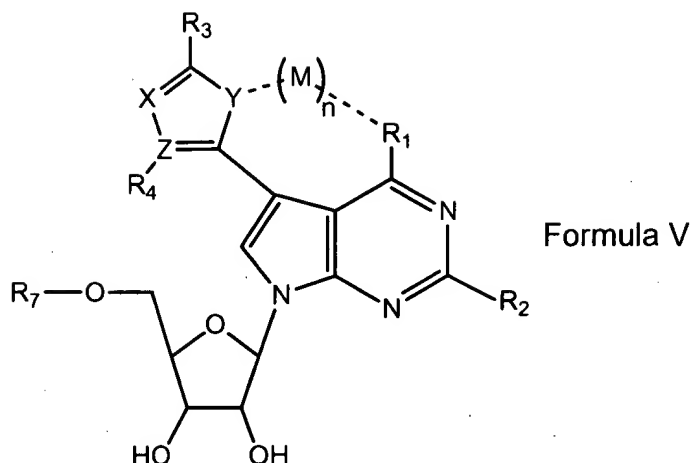
- wherein R_7 is either triphosphate, α -thiotriphosphate, or a salt thereof;

- wherein X, Y, and Z are independently carbon, nitrogen, oxygen, sulfur, phosphorus, or selenium;

- wherein n is 0 or 1; and

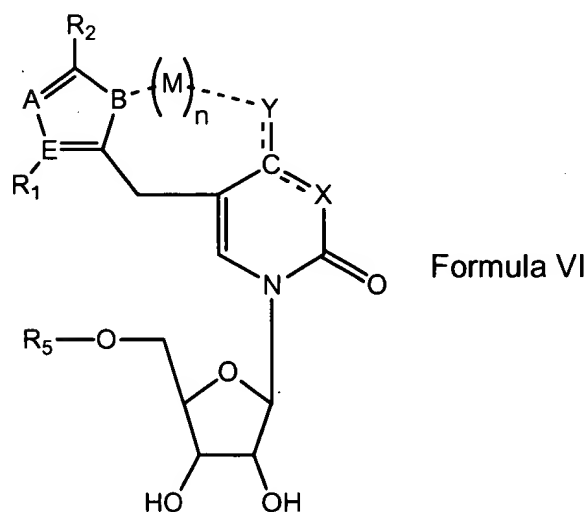
- wherein M is H_2O or any metal;

(5) a compound of formula V:



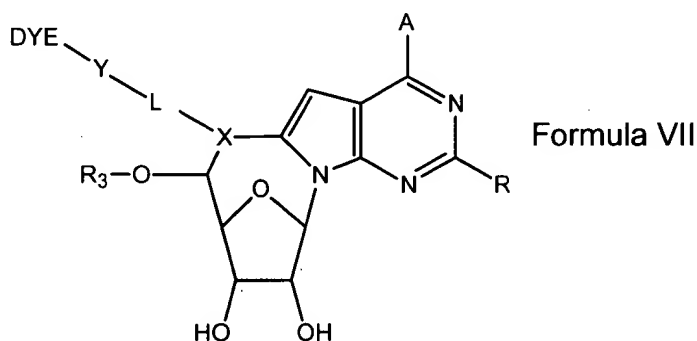
- wherein R_1 , R_2 , and R_4 are independently H, O, OR, S, SR, NR_2 or CR_2 ;
- wherein R_3 is SR, NR_2 , OR, or CR_2 and comprises a reporter group;
- wherein R is hydrogen, alkyl, aryl, or an amino acid;
- wherein R_7 is either triphosphate, α -thiotriphosphate, or a salt thereof;
- wherein X, Y, and Z are independently carbon, nitrogen, oxygen, sulfur, phosphorus, or selenium;
- wherein n is 0 or 1; and
- wherein M is H_2O or any metal;

(6) a compound of formula VI:



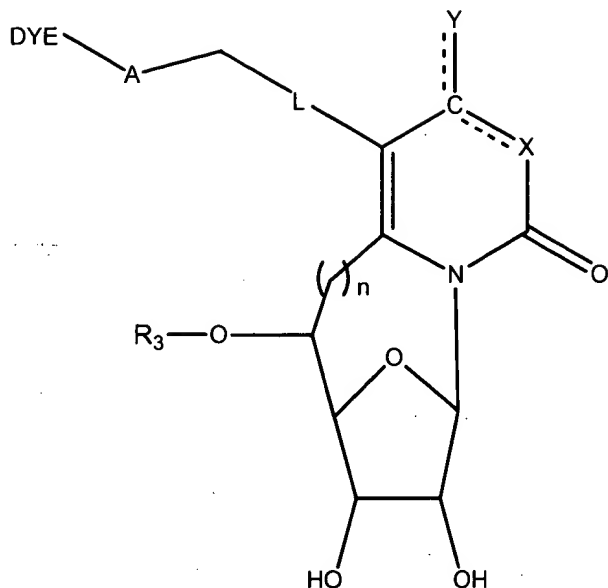
- wherein R_1 is H, O, OR, S, SR, NR_2 , or CR_2 ,
- wherein R_2 is SR, NR_2 , OR, or CR_2 and comprises a reporter group;
- wherein R is hydrogen, alkyl, alkynyl, aryl, or an amino acid;
- wherein R_5 is either triphosphate, α -thiotriphosphate, or a salt thereof;
- wherein X is N, NH, or C;
- wherein Y is O or NH_2 ;
- wherein A, B, and E are independently C, N, O, S, P, or Se;
- wherein n is 0 or 1; and
- wherein M is H_2O or any metal;

(7) a compound of formula VII:



- wherein A is NH_2 , OH, or O;
- wherein R is H, O, NR'_2 , S, CR'_2 , or halide;
- wherein R' is hydrogen or alkyl;
- wherein R_3 is either triphosphate, α -thiotriphosphate, or a salt thereof;
- wherein L is alkyl;
- wherein X is CR or N and Y is O, S, or NH; and
- wherein the dye is any reporter group;

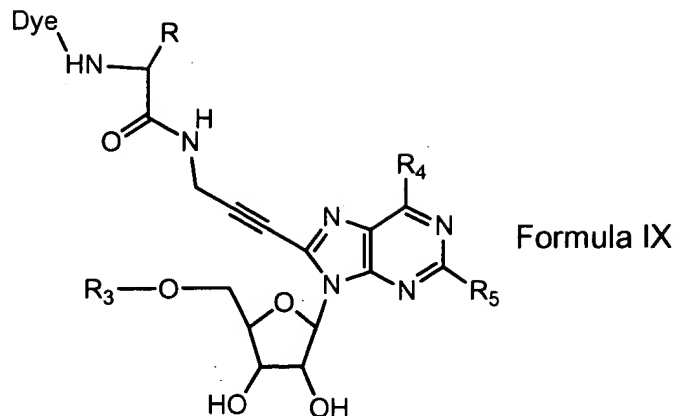
(8) a compound of formula VIII:



Formula VIII

- wherein X is N, NH, or C;
- wherein Y is O or NH₂;
- wherein R₃ is either triphosphate, α-thiotriphosphate, or a salt thereof;
- wherein A is O, S, or NH;
- wherein L is alkyl or aryl substituted at from 0 to 3 positions in a chemically reasonable manner with F, Cl, Br, I, C1-C18 alkyl, Silyl, OH, OR', SH, SR', SOR', SO₂R', SO₃, or NR'₂;
- wherein R' is hydrogen or alkyl;
- wherein n is 1 to 10; and
- wherein the dye is any reporter group;

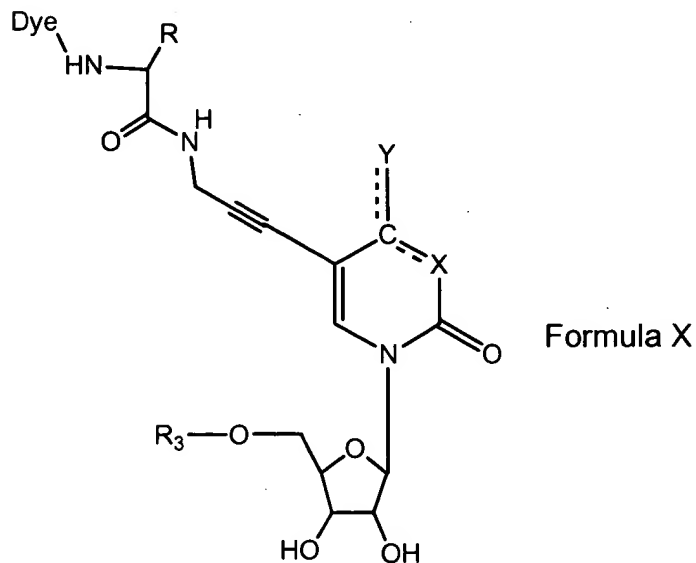
(9) a compound of formula IX:



Formula IX

- wherein R_4 is NH_2 , OH , or O and R_5 is NH_2 , OH , or H , provided that if A is NH_2 , B is H and if A is O , B is NH_2 ;
- wherein R_3 is either triphosphate, α -thiotriphosphate, or a salt thereof;
- wherein the dye is any reporter group; and
- wherein R is a side chain for mobility tuning;

(10) a compound of formula X:

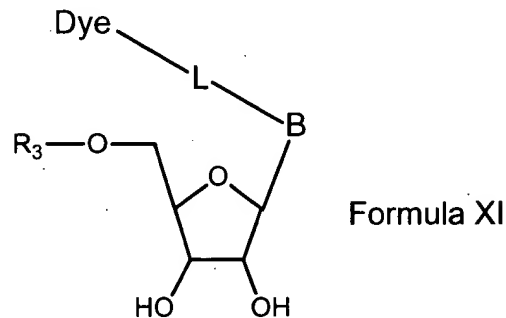


Formula X

- wherein X is N , NH , or C ;
- wherein Y is O or NH_2 ;
- wherein R_3 is either triphosphate, α -thiotriphosphate, or a salt thereof;

- wherein Dye is any reporter group, and
- wherein R is a side chain for mobility tuning; or

(11) a compound of formula XI:



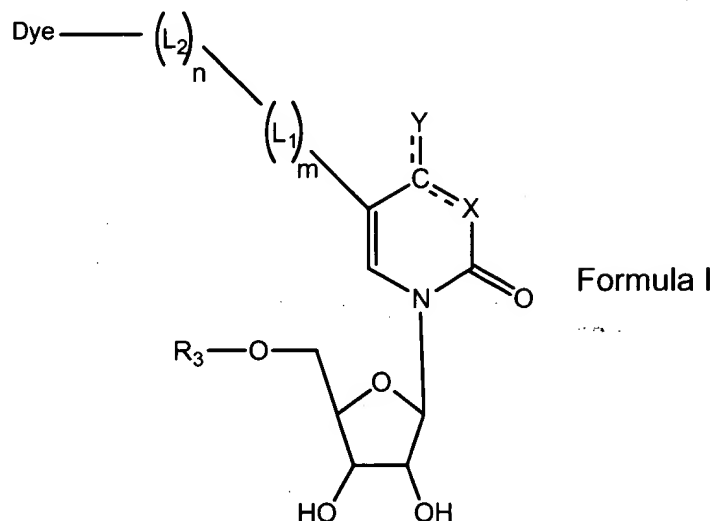
- wherein B is a nucleobase selected from uracil, cytosine, adenine, 7-deazaadenine, guanine, and 7-deazaguanine;
- wherein R₃ is triphosphate or a salt thereof;
- wherein L is a linker selected from propargyl-ethyl-oxide-amino and propargylamino wherein the linker is attached to the 8-C of a adenine, 7-deazaadenine, guanine, or 7-deazaguanine nucleobase, the 7-C or 8-C of a 7-deazaadenine or 7-deazaguanine nucleobase, or the C-5 of a uracil or cytosine nucleobase; and
- wherein Dye is selected from a rhodamine dye and a fluorescein dye.

145. (new) The method according to claim 130, wherein the reporter group is a rhodamine-type dye, a fluorescein-type dye, an energy transfer dye, or a cyanine-type dye.

146. (new) The method according to claim 130, further comprising separating the fragments that contain at least one primer from other fragments.

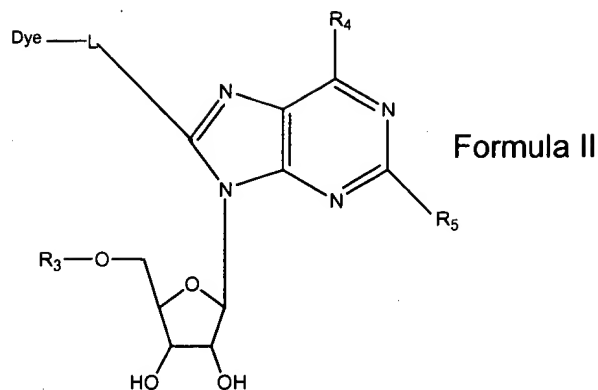
147. (new) The method according to claim 137, wherein said at least one dye-labeled ribonucleotide is:

(1) a compound of formula I:



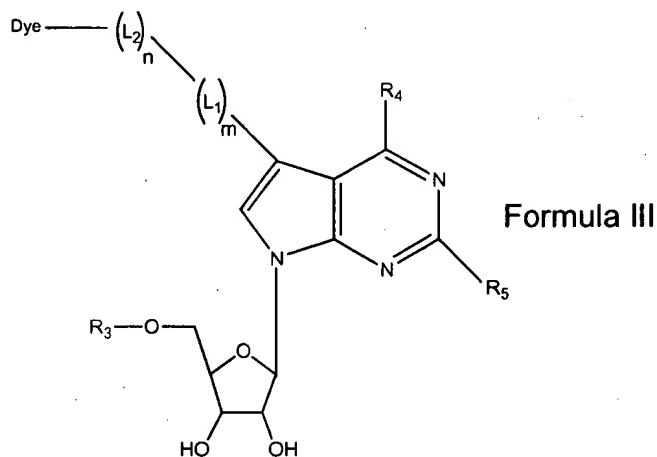
- wherein X is N, NH, or C;
- wherein Y is O or NH₂;
- wherein R₃ is either triphosphate, α-thiotriphosphate, or a salt thereof;
- wherein L₁ is a linker;
- wherein L₂ is a benzylamine linker or a phosphate linker;
- wherein n = 0-4, m = 0-4, and m + n is at least 1; and
- wherein the dye is any reporter group;

(2) a compound of formula II:



- wherein L is a linker;
 - wherein R₄ is either NH₂, OH, or O, and R₅ is either NH₂, OH, or H;
 - wherein R₃ is either triphosphate, α-thiotriphosphate, or a salt thereof;
- and
- wherein the dye is any reporter group;

(3) a compound of formula III:



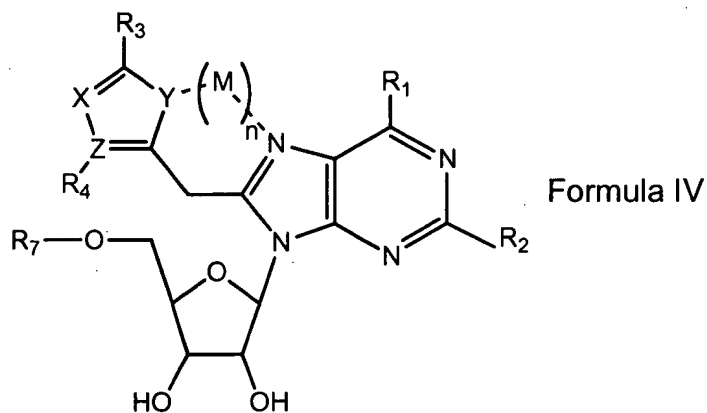
- wherein L₁ is a linker;
- wherein L₂ is a benzylamine linker or a phosphate linker;
- wherein n = 0-4, m = 0-4, and m + n is at least 1;
- wherein R₄ is either NH₂, OH, or O, and R₅ is either NH₂, OH, or H;

- wherein R₃ is either triphosphate, α-thiotriphosphate, or a salt thereof;

and

- wherein the dye is any reporter group;

(4) a compound of formula IV:



- wherein R₁, R₂, and R₄ are independently H, O, OR, S, SR, NR₂ or CR₂;

- wherein R₃ is SR, NR₂, OR, or CR₂ and comprises a reporter group;

- wherein R is hydrogen, alkyl, aryl, or an amino acid;

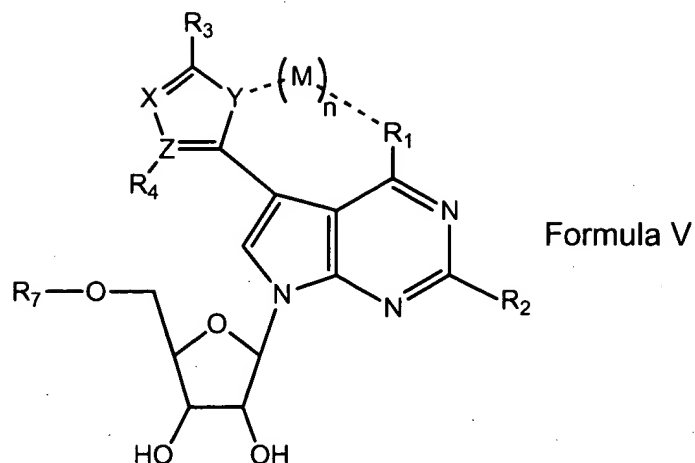
- wherein R₇ is either triphosphate, α-thiotriphosphate, or a salt thereof;

- wherein X, Y, and Z are independently carbon, nitrogen, oxygen, sulfur, phosphorus, or selenium;

- wherein n is 0 or 1; and

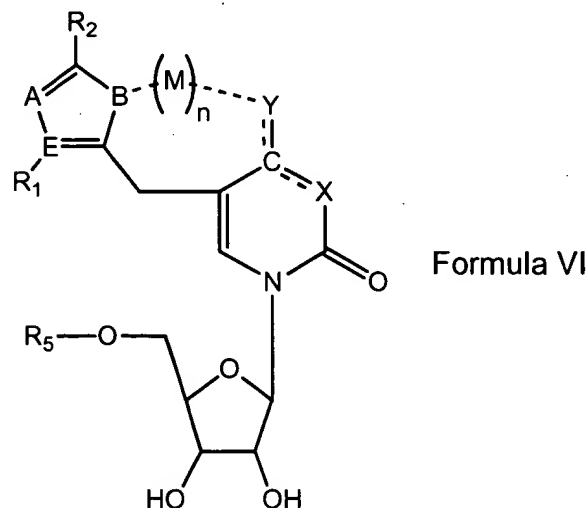
- wherein M is H₂O or any metal;

(5) a compound of formula V:



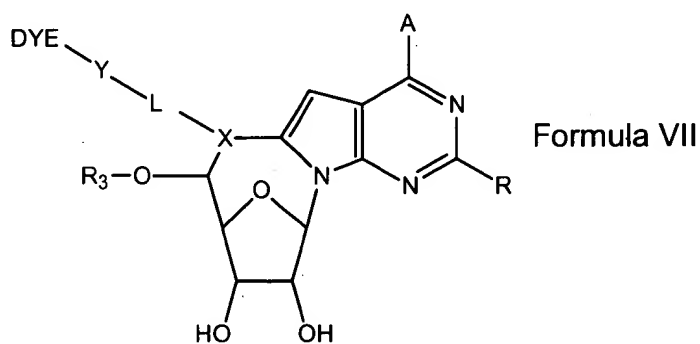
- wherein R_1 , R_2 , and R_4 are independently H, O, OR, S, SR, NR_2 or CR_2 ;
- wherein R_3 is SR, NR_2 , OR, or CR_2 and comprises a reporter group;
- wherein R is hydrogen, alkyl, aryl, or an amino acid;
- wherein R_7 is either triphosphate, α -thiotriphosphate, or a salt thereof;
- wherein X, Y, and Z are independently carbon, nitrogen, oxygen, sulfur, phosphorus, or selenium;
- wherein n is 0 or 1; and
- wherein M is H_2O or any metal;

(6) a compound of formula VI:



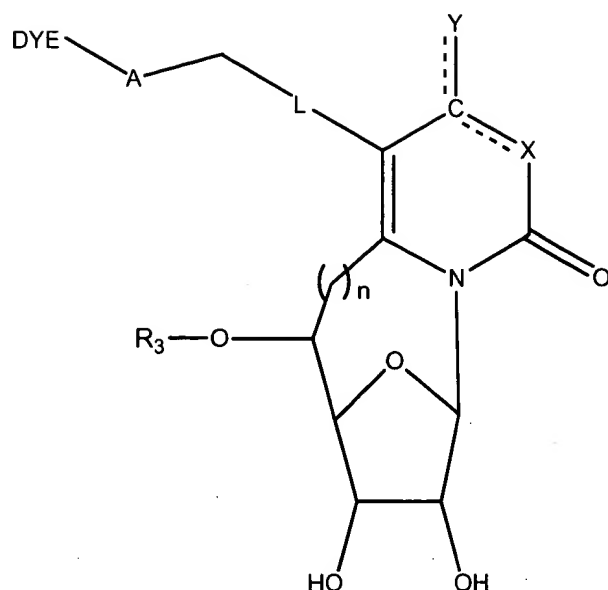
- wherein R_1 is H, O, OR, S, SR, NR_2 , or CR_2 ;
- wherein R_2 is SR, NR_2 , OR, or CR_2 and comprises a reporter group;
- wherein R is hydrogen, alkyl, alkynyl, aryl, or an amino acid;
- wherein R_5 is either triphosphate, α -thiotriphosphate, or a salt thereof;
- wherein X is N, NH, or C;
- wherein Y is O or NH_2 ;
- wherein A, B, and E are independently C, N, O, S, P, or Se;
- wherein n is 0 or 1; and
- wherein M is H_2O or any metal;

(7) a compound of formula VII:



- wherein A is NH_2 , OH, or O;
- wherein R is H, O, NR'_2 , S, CR'_2 , or halide;
- wherein R' is hydrogen or alkyl;
- wherein R_3 is either triphosphate, α -thiotriphosphate, or a salt thereof;
- wherein L is alkyl;
- wherein X is CR or N and Y is O, S, or NH; and
- wherein the dye is any reporter group;

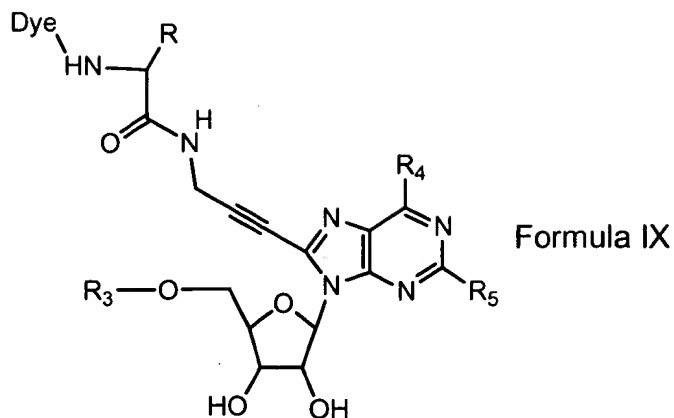
(8) a compound of formula VIII:



Formula VIII

- wherein X is N, NH, or C;
- wherein Y is O or NH₂;
- wherein R₃ is either triphosphate, α-thiotriphosphate, or a salt thereof;
- wherein A is O, S, or NH;
- wherein L is alkyl or aryl substituted at from 0 to 3 positions in a chemically reasonable manner with F, Cl, Br, I, C1-C18 alkyl, Silyl, OH, OR', SH, SR', SOR', SO₂R', SO₃, or NR'₂;
- wherein R' is hydrogen or alkyl;
- wherein n is 1 to 10; and
- wherein the dye is any reporter group;

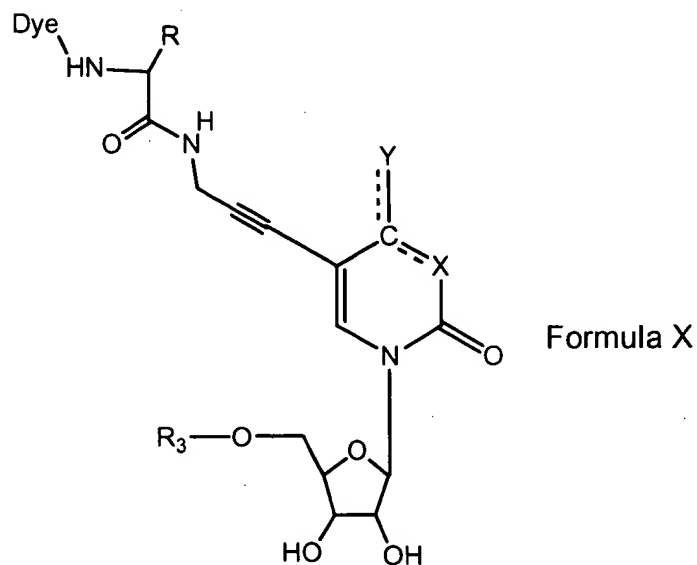
(9) a compound of formula IX:



Formula IX

- wherein R₄ is NH₂, OH, or O and R₅ is NH₂, OH, or H, provided that if A is NH₂, B is H and if A is O, B is NH₂;
- wherein R₃ is either triphosphate, α-thiotriphosphate, or a salt thereof;
- wherein the dye is any reporter group; and
- wherein R is a side chain for mobility tuning;

(10) a compound of formula X:

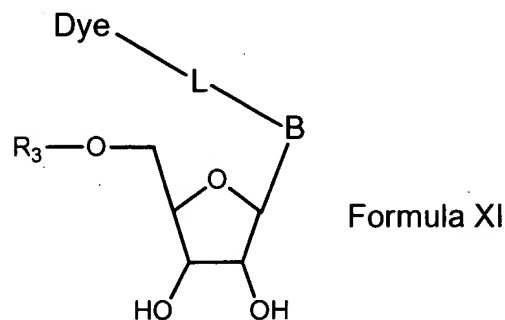


Formula X

- wherein X is N, NH, or C;
- wherein Y is O or NH₂;
- wherein R₃ is either triphosphate, α-thiotriphosphate, or a salt thereof;

- wherein Dye is any reporter group, and
- wherein R is a side chain for mobility tuning; or

(11) a compound of formula XI:



- wherein B is a nucleobase selected from uracil, cytosine, adenine, 7-deazaadenine, guanine, and 7-deazaguanine;
- wherein R₃ is triphosphate or a salt thereof;
- wherein L is a linker selected from propargyl-ethyl-oxide-amino and propargylamino wherein the linker is attached to the 8-C of a adenine, 7-deazaadenine, guanine, or 7-deazaguanine nucleobase, the 7-C or 8-C of a 7-deazaadenine or 7-deazaguanine nucleobase, or the C-5 of a uracil or cytosine nucleobase; and
- wherein Dye is selected from a rhodamine dye and a fluorescein dye.

148. (new) The method according to claim 137, wherein the reporter group is a rhodamine-type dye, a fluorescein-type dye, an energy transfer dye, or a cyanine-type dye.

149. (new) The method according to claim 137, further comprising separating the fragments that contain at least one primer from other fragments.